

Attendees: J. Frey, B. White, B. Bradley, J. Fenton, J. Hauck, L. Carlson

Absentees:

Commissioners: Lewis Stahl, Jim Hart, Dave Schulz

Secretary: Barbie Durham

Visitors: Bob gates, Dan Kenworthy, Ira & Nadene Davis, Mike McCann, Tom Miller, Vern Brown

Minutes approved as written

1. Report Twin Bridges Airport:

a. Airport Conditions:

The windsock has been repaired. New wires, hinges, and light bulb. It is now a one man operation. All grounding has been completed. The weeds on the north side of the runway need to be sterilized and spot sprayed. Lewis will talk to Marge about having this done. Bill continues to track down wiring in regards to turning on and off all electrical units when a pilot clicks three times. Ron found a riding lawn mower for sale for \$150.00. The Board approved the purchase. Currently there are three tankers and support crew at the airport. They are staying in town at the local hotels and eating in local restaurants bringing a boost to the local economy. The County is leasing a portion of the pilot shack to them. Dan Kenworthy reported on the flight club. They have five active members at this time. Dan feels the Flight Club is going very well.

b. Airport Improvement Projects Update:

2. Report Ennis Big Sky Airport:

a. Airport Conditions:

The entire airport has been mowed. Maintenance mowing is still required and ongoing. County spraying is needed again to stay on top of the weeds. Matson Excavation will complete the work at Shell Creek. Jim has talked with Gordy regarding this project. Subdivision gates and fences have been set back at the Miller and Davis hangars. Private property owner Vern Brown has installed a gate. It will need hog wire to prevent antelope from entering. Work on gofer/badger holes will begin next. Bob requested a dump truck to remove garbage off of the airport. Either County equipment or Matson Excavation equipment. This could possible be done at the same time Matson does the work on Shell Creek. The tractor and snowplow purchased by Ed Guinnane remains at the airport. Bob has tried to start the dump truck without success. The Board advised Bob that he is not to start either piece of equipment. Bob asked for three culverts to correct drainage problems. Bill stated there are two concrete culverts available at the airport that will work for the project near the County building. North South Road that goes to the Davis/Miller hangars will require a culvert to correct the drainage problem.

b. Airport Improvements Projects Update:

c. Lane Hangar:

Discussion regarding the County's ability to guarantee fuel facilities at Ennis Big Sky Airport.

Motion made by Bill White: It would be impossible to guarantee fuel facilities at this time. Second by John Hauck, all in favor, motion passes.

Discussion regarding placement of the TR Lane and Dave Hunt operation ensued.

Motion made by John Hauck: Madison County Airport Board agrees it is feasible to build the TR Lane and Dave Hunt operation on the south end of the ramp. All cost of development will be at the lessee's expense, including but not limited to water and utilities. Second by Jack Fenton, all in favor, motion passes.

3. Airport Rules and Regulations:

Discussion regarding filters of Rules and Regulations etc.: Developing the Rules and Regulations is ongoing.

4. Jim Singer Resignation:

Barbie will get a card for everyone to sign. Discussion ensued regarding how Board appointments are made by the County. Dave explained that the Commissioners bring the names of applicants to the Board and the Board recommends to the Commissioners who they would like to have appointed. The position has been advertised. Beau stated he feels it is important to appoint someone who is active at the airport.

5. New Business:

Ira is checking with several vendors regarding single wall, double wall fuel tanks and dispensing systems. The three single wall tanks need to be replaced by double wall tanks. Ira has located four used complete systems for sale by other airports. He inquired if the Board is interested in the data. Beau responded that the Board has already researched the costs and are not willing at this time to spend the money to upgrade the fuel farm. Beau said the Board's position is to lease the fuel farm to an FBO.

Dave stated he feels there are four options:

1. Duck tape the current problems
2. Spend the minimum amount to bring the farm up to standards – approx \$35,000.00.
3. Do complete up grade \$80,000 – \$110,000
4. Continue to run with a manager or lease to someone who runs it.

Beau stated we need to upgrade and make Jet A self service. Most pilots will still want someone to fuel for them. John stated he feels like it is important to upgrade the fuel farm. Beau will get two quotes to upgrade the fuel farm. Ira will put together four quotes for new and refurbished systems. Layne feels like life flight is a very important service to the community and you can't put a dollar figure on it.

6. Public Comment: